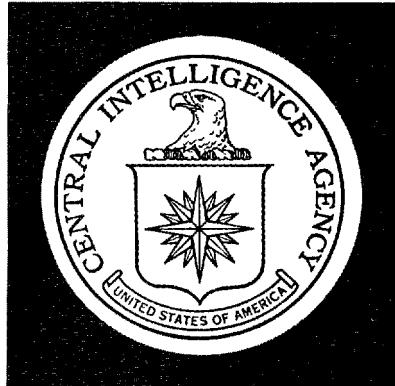


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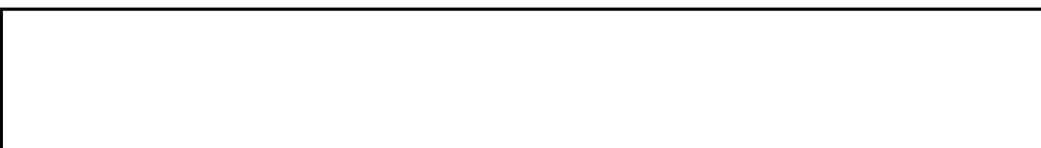
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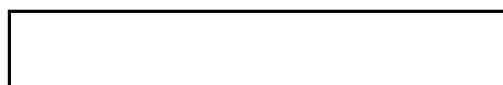
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Philippines: President Marcos, having overplayed his hand in stimulating anti-American sentiment in the early autumn, is now seeking to repair the damage to Philippine relations with the US.

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Last week, Marcos made the public gesture of attending a reception at the US ambassador's residence for the first time during his term of office.

Marcos' attempt to mend fences with the US is primarily a result of his need for tacit US support in his re-election campaign in 1969, plus concern over a continued US presence in Asia after Vietnam. Uncertainties about the new US administration's policies toward Asia, and the Philippines in particular, have contributed to Marcos' desire for better relations.

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